Fort McPherson, World War II Station Hospital, Nurses Quarters (Building No. 109)

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Location:

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Significance:

The Nurses Quarters signifies the expansion of the Fort McPherson Station Hospital during World War II and represents mobilization construction according to plans of the "New" 700 series. Building 109 was constructed in 1942, along with a G.U. (genitourinary) Treatment Unit for the Fort McPherson Station Hospital, to house nurses (undoubtedly those assigned to the G.U. Treatment Unit).

Description:

Located on the eastern portion of the site, the Nurses Quarters is a rectangular, wood-framed, vinyl-sided, one-story, pitched-roof structure. It is 29'-6" x 120'-0" in size (three bays wide by fourteen bays long). It rests on a concrete-block foundation. Windows are eight-over-eight-light double-hung wood sash set within aluminum frames. There are three entrances, two axial and one at the cross axis. At the southwest corner of the building is a freestanding chimney from a previous boiler house on the site. The interior features a narrow central corridor with rooms to either side. Room size and partitions have been adjusted over the years.

History:

Building 109 was designed as a Nurses Quarters and modeled on the 700-1240 standard plan for "HQ-18" Hospital Quarters. It was completed on October 12, 1942 at a cost of \$14,413. The Nurses Quarters plan was part of the "New" 700 series, a group of mobilization drawings designed to supersede the original 700 series and its subsequent 800 series. The Quarters served as housing for bachelor officers after World War II and now serve as transient quarters, making it one of the few mobilization buildings at Fort McPherson to remain consistent in use.

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